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REMARKS

The Examiner rendered a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment because the Amendment

(including a submission for an RCE) filed on March 8, 2004 failed to meet the requirements of 37

CFR 1.121. Specifically, status identifier "Previously Amended" in claims 2, 3, 6 and 12 should read

"Previously Presented." Claims 2, 3, 6, and 12 have been corrected accordingly. The entire

"Amendments to the Claims" section is being re-submitted for compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 and

approval of the Examiner.

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-15 remain

pending in the application. An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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